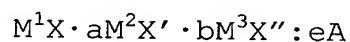


What is claimed is:

1. A radiation image conversion panel comprising on a support at least one stimuable phosphor layer comprising a stimuable phosphor, wherein the stimuable phosphor layer is a layer of vapor-deposited stimuable phosphor having a thickness of 50 μm to 20 mm, and the support is comprised of a polymer material.

2. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 1, wherein the stimuable phosphor is represented by the following formula (1):

formula (1)



wherein M^1 is at least one alkali metal atom selected from the group consisting of Li, Na, K, Rb and Cs; M^2 is at least one divalent metal atom selected from the group consisting of Be, Mg, Ca, Sr, Ba, Zn, Cd, Cu and Ni; M^3 is at least one trivalent metal atom selected from the group consisting of Sc, Y, La, Ce, Pr, Nd, Pm, Sm, Eu, Gd, Tb, Dy, Ho, Er, Tm, Yb, Lu, Al, Ga and In; X, X' and X'' are each a halogen atom selected from the group consisting of F, Cl, Br and I; A is a metal atom selected from the group consisting of Eu, Tb, In,

Ce, Tm, Dy, Pr, Ho, Nd, Yb, Er, Gd, Lu, Sm, Y, Tl, Na, Ag, Cu and Mg; a, b and e are each $0 \leq a < 0.5$, $0 \leq b < 0.5$ and $0 < e \leq 0.2$.

3. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 2, wherein in the formula (1), M^1 is at least one alkali metal atom selected from the group consisting of Rb and Cs.

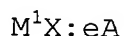
4. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 2, wherein in the formula (1), M^2 is at least one divalent metal atom selected from the group consisting of Be, Mg, Ca, Sr and Ba.

5. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 2, wherein in the formula (1), M^3 is at least one trivalent metal atom selected from Y, La, Ce, Sm, Eu, Gd, Al, Ga and In.

6. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 2, wherein in the formula (1), X is a halogen atom selected from the group consisting of F, Cl and Br.

7. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 2, wherein the stimulable phosphor is represented by the following formula (2):

formula (2)



Wherein M^1 , X, A and e are each the same as defined in formula (1).

8. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 1, wherein the polymer material exhibits a glass transition temperature of 150 to 350 °C.

9. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 1, wherein the polymer material is at least one selected from the group consisting of a cellulose acetate resin, polyester resin, polyethylene terephthalate resin, polyamide resin, epoxy resin, polyimide resin, triacetate resin, polycarbonate resin and syndiotactic polystyrene resin.

10. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 1, wherein the support is comprised of plural layers.

11. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 10, wherein the support is comprised of a polyimide layer, a carbon fiber plate layer and a polyimide layer in that order.

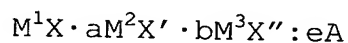
12. A method of preparing a radiation image conversion panel comprising on a support a stimuable phosphor layer, the method comprising:

depositing a stimuable phosphor on the support by vapor deposition to form the stimuable phosphor layer, wherein the support is comprised of a polymer material.

13. The method of claim 12, wherein the stimuable phosphor layer has a thickness of 50 μm to 20 mm.

14. The method of claim 12, wherein the stimuable phosphor is represented by the following formula (1):

formula (1)

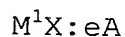


wherein M^1 is at least one alkali metal atom selected from the group consisting of Li, Na, K, Rb and Cs; M^2 is at least one divalent metal atom selected from the group consisting of Be, Mg, Ca, Sr, Ba, Zn, Cd, Cu and Ni; M^3 is at least one trivalent metal atom selected from the group consisting of

Sc, Y, La, Ce, Pr, Nd, Pm, Sm, Eu, Gd, Tb, Dy, Ho, Er, Tm, Yb, Lu, Al, Ga and In; X, X' and X'' are each a halogen atom selected from the group consisting of F, Cl, Br and I; A is a metal atom selected from the group consisting of Eu, Tb, In, Ce, Tm, Dy, Pr, Ho, Nd, Yb, Er, Gd, Lu, Sm, Y, Tl, Na, Ag, Cu and Mg; a, b and e are each $0 \leq a < 0.5$, $0 \leq b < 0.5$ and $0 < e \leq 0.2$.

15. The method of claim 14, wherein the stimulable phosphor is represented by the following formula (2):

formula (2)



wherein M^1 , X, A and e are each the same as defined in formula (1).

16. The method of claim 12, wherein the polymer material exhibits a glass transition temperature of 150 to 350 °C.

17. The method of claim 12, wherein the polymer material is at least one selected from the group consisting of a cellulose acetate resin, polyester resin, polyethylene terephthalate resin, polyamide resin, epoxy resin, polyimide

resin, triacetate resin, polycarbonate resin and syndiotactic polystyrene resin.

18. The method of claim 10, wherein the support has a thickness of 80 to 2000 μm .

19. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 12, wherein the support is comprised of plural layers.

20. The radiation image conversion panel of claim 19, wherein the support is comprised of a polyimide layer, a carbon fiber plate layer and a polyimide layer in that order.